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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Constitution Hills, Quezon City

NINETEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 9773



Introduced by Agusan del Norte, 2nd District Representative
HON. DALE B. CORVERA

AN ACT
DECLARING AUGUST 1 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NASIPIT, PROVINCE OF AGUSAN DEL NORTE, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "ARAW NG NASIPIT"

EXPLANATORY NOTE

As early as the 1880s, Nasipit has been recorded in Spanish text as a pueblo. It was originally a part of Butuan. Nasipit shoreline is formed in a claw-like shape or "sipit" from which "Nasip-it" is derived. Because of its submarine topography and strategic geographical location, Nasipit prospered as a major destination for trading ships and served as a gateway for Agusan and neighboring provinces.

Nasipit was officially separated from the municipality of Butuan on 01 August 1929. It became a municipality by virtue of Executive Order No. 181, issued by Acting Governor-General Eugene Gilmore of the United States Army. Today, it is composed of 19 barangays.

Recognizing its strategic geographical location for trade in the region, Nasipit was identified by the Caraga Regional Development Council, through Resolution Number 44, serries of 1996, as the Regional Agri-Industrial Growth Center of the Caraga Region. It houses the Nasipit Agusan del Norte Industrial Estate (NANIE) which is envisioned and designed to be the industrial, manufacturing and logistics center of Agusan del Norte.

To commemorate the rich history and development of the Municipality of Nasipit, and to honor the vital contribution of Nasipitnons to its socioeconomic progress, this representation believes that August 1 of every year should be declared as a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Nasipit, Province of Agusan del Norte.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

Section 1. August 1 of every year is hereby declared as a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Nasipit, Province of Agusan del Norte, to be known as "Araw ng Nasipit" in commemoration of its foundation day.

Section 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,